

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0013] beginning at page 3, line 30, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0013] According to the present invention, there is provided a novel hose with corrugated metal tube comprising a hose body having inner layer including a corrugated metal tube and outer layer including reinforced (reinforcing) layer, and a socket fitting fitted on the hose body at one longitudinal or axial end portion thereof and compressed or swaged radially inwardly to be secured thereto. The outer layer circumscribes a radial outer side of the inner layer. The corrugated metal tube ~~may be provided with~~ is provided with a flattened end portion which may comprise a straight tubular or straight-walled portion extending straight in a longitudinal direction on one ~~longitudinal or axial~~ end portion of the corrugated metal tube. The flattened end portion of the corrugated metal tube also may be provided with a pre-formed flat and incomplete corrugated portion, for example, extending in a longitudinal direction thereon. The flattened end portion of the corrugated metal tube further may be provided with a straight tubular portion and a pre-formed flat and incomplete corrugated portion thereon. ~~An opposite longitudinal or axial end or a rear end of the straight tubular portion or the flat and incomplete corrugated portion is located or extends behind or toward an opposite longitudinal or axial side from a compressed or swaged point of a most opposite longitudinal or axial side, or a last compressed or swaged point (a last swaged point) of the socket fitting.~~ A proximal end of said flattened end portion, where the flattened end portion joins the end of the corrugated metal tube comprising complete corrugations, extends axially away in the direction of said complete corrugations from a swaged point on the socket fitting that is axially most proximate to said proximal end. And, a ~~longitudinal or the~~ axial distance between the ~~opposite longitudinal end of the straight tubular portion or the flat and incomplete corrugated portion and the compressed or swaged point of the most opposite longitudinal side or the last proximal end of said flattened end portion and the most proximate swaged point of the socket fitting is a~~

minimum of 10mm. That is, ~~the opposite longitudinal or axial end of the straight tubular portion or the flat and incomplete corrugated portion is located or the proximal end of the flattened end portion~~ extends for minimum of 10mm ~~toward an opposite longitudinal or axial side axially away from the last swaged point (the swaged point most proximate to the proximal end)~~ in the direction of the complete corrugations.

Here, a term "longitudinal" or "axial" is used with respect to a length or an axis of the hose body, the socket fitting or a relevant member. --

Please replace paragraph [0026] on page 7, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0026] According to the present invention based on that knowledge, a corrugated metal tube may be provided with a flattened end portion comprising an axially straight tubular or axially straight-walled portion on one axial ~~or longitudinal~~ end portion thereof, said flattened end portion having a proximal end positioned so as to extend for minimum 10mm axially away in the direction of the complete corrugations from a last swaged point or a swaged point ~~of a most opposite axial or longitudinal side of a socket fitting that is axially most proximate to the proximal end~~. That is, a longitudinal distance between the ~~opposite longitudinal proximal~~ end of the straight tubular portion and the ~~last swaged point of the most opposite longitudinal side of the socket fitting is minimum 10mm~~. --

Please replace paragraph [0027] on page 8, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0027] As a corrugated metal tube that is provided with a flattened end portion, such as a straight tubular portion, on one axial end portion thereof having a proximal end positioned so as to extend ~~beyond a position a distance~~ of about 7.0mm behind a last swaged point ~~or away in an opposite axial direction from a position of about 7.0mm behind a last swaged point where the corrugated metal tube is likely cracked or broken,~~

the corrugated metal tube is favorably prevented from fatigue crack or break caused by repeated internal pressures, and thereby service life of a hose having the corrugated metal tube may be effectively prolonged. ~~Here, an opposite longitudinal if the proximal end of the straight tubular portion is located or extends beyond a position about 7.0mm behind the last swaged portion in the direction of the complete corrugations.~~ --

Please replace paragraph [0027] on page 8, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0028] According to the present invention, instead of providing a flattened end portion by extending the straight tubular or straight-walled portion for a predetermined length behind or rearwardly from the last swaged point, a corrugated metal tube may be provided with a flattened end portion comprising a pre-formed flat and incomplete corrugated portion so as to extend for minimum 10mm axially beyond a last swaged point. In this case, the corrugated metal tube is also favorably restrained from fatigue crack or break and thereby service life of a hose having the corrugated metal tube may be also prolonged. ~~Here, an opposite longitudinal end of the flat and incomplete corrugated portion is located or extends beyond a position about 7.0mm behind the last swaged point.~~ --

Please replace paragraph [0040] on page 9, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0040] Fig. 5 is a cross-sectional view of a relevant portion of a hose with corrugated metal tube of the prior art to be contrasted with the present invention. --

Please replace paragraph [0054] on page 12, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0054] The corrugated metal tube 22 has a flattened end portion comprising an axially straight-walled portion or axially straight tubular portion 32 extending straight in an axial direction on one axial end side or one axial end portion. The corrugated metal tube 22 or the straight tubular portion 32 is configured as-to include an extending portion 34 on a leading ~~end side or one axial end-side~~, which extends outwardly in an axial direction and is exposed out of the outer layer comprising the inner elastic layer 24, the reinforced layer 26 and the outer elastic layer 28. --

Please replace paragraph [0057] beginning on page 12, line 27, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- [0057] In the embodiment shown in Fig. 2, the connecting pipe 14 and the straight tubular portion 32 of the corrugated metal tube 22 are arranged or formed respectively so as to extend for a distance L ($L = 15\text{mm}$ in this embodiment) longitudinally toward the right-hand side in Fig. 2 beyond the third or last swaged point P_3 of the socket fitting 16, namely in a direction away from ~~an the free~~ axial end ~~or one axial end~~ of the hose body 12 ~~or rearwardly in the axial direction toward the complete corrugations 30.~~ That is, ~~an opposite longitudinal or axial~~ the proximal end of the straight tubular portion 32 is located or extends ~~from for~~ the distance L toward ~~an opposite longitudinal, or axial side~~ from the third or last swaged point P_3 toward the complete corrugations. And, in this embodiment, the socket fitting 16 or a cylindrical portion thereof is arranged or formed so as to extend further for a distance Q beyond ~~opposite the axial inner ends~~ (right-hand ends ~~or rear ends~~ in Fig. 2) of the connecting pipe 14 and the straight tubular portion 32.

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Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 20, line 1, with the following rewritten Abstract:

-- A hose body of a hose with a corrugated metal tube has a corrugated metal tube of innermost layer and outer layer in a radially outer side thereof including inner elastic layer, reinforced layer and outer elastic layer. A socket fitting is swaged onto the hose

body at three axially spaced points thereof. The corrugated metal tube is provided with a straight tubular portion flattened end portion. so as to A proximal end of the flattened end portion extends for minimum of 10mm beyond the last and third swaged point axially away (in the direction of the complete corrugations) from the swaged point which is located on an most opposite axial or longitudinal side of the socket fitting axially most proximate to the proximal end of the flattened end portion. --